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LB 48, 503, 656, 666,  
817, 869, 989.

a month or even two weeks or three weeks may make a great deal of difference in what their decision might be. So I think this is a serious attempt...you can call it attempt or whatever you want to, to get this issue out so that our people back home can know what to plan for. I have heard the various figures of what it is going to cost them to pay the tax on a new rail car and also what it costs to lease them, and we have been encouraging them... we, and I say the Legislature and especially those of us from the rural area, that they are going to have to forget about some of their branch line railroads and that they are going to have to forget about the little country elevators all over, and that they are going to have to spend millions of dollars to build facilities to load unit trains and they are going to have to have their own railroad cars to haul the grain in. And I think it is serious and I think that we are....you talk about exempting this or exempting that. Senator Dworak talks about special interests. I have been wondering, the years that I have been down here, what his is. Because he certainly comes from a rural voting area and an area that is very concerned about this very thing. I don't know whether his elevator people have talked to him or not, or whether he has listened. I can understand Senator Johnson and Senator Newell because they have no interest in the rural area anyhow. So it is easy for them to be against this thing. But the life of Nebraska is out there, folks. It is not here and it is not 55 miles northeast of here either. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: It is time to recess and the Clerk may have some items he wants to read in.

CLERK: Mr. President, if I may, Senator Haberman would like to print amendments to LB 503; Senator Haberman to LB 989; Senator Koch to LB 869; and Senator Newell to LB 817. (See pages 1085 and 1086 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, your Committee on Public Works whose Chairman is Senator Kremer to whom was referred LB 656 instructs me to report the same back to the Legislature with the recommendation that it be advanced to General File with amendments, and LB 48 indefinitely postponed. (Signed) Senator Kremer, Chairman. (See pages 1086 through 1088 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Clark, do you want to recess us until 1:30?

SENATOR CLARK: Mr. President, I move we recess until 1:30 this afternoon.